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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ECON, PINR, KN

SUBJECT: TRAVELLERS TO NORTH KOREA

REF: PEKING 1266

1. RECENTLY A NUMBER OF DIPLOMATS IN PEKING WHO TRAVEL TO NORTH KOREA HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH USLO. THEY HAVE GENERALLY COMMENTED THEY KNOW LITTLE ABOUT THE COUNTRY AND AT LEAST ONE HAS ASKED US FOR BACKGROUND DATA, ESPECIALLY ECONOMIC INFORMATION. IN EXCHANGE THEY ARE WILLING TO GIVE US THEIR FIRST-HAND ACCOUNTS OF WHAT THEY NOTE ON THEIR TRIPS.

2. A CASE IN POINT IS BJORNE BLADBJERG, COMMERCIAL ATTACHE OF DANISH EMBASSY HERE, WHO WILL BE LEAVING FOR NORTH KOREA ON MARCH 4. HE HAS BEEN THERE THREE TIMES BEFORE AND WILL BE VISITING SOME 32 DANISH TECHNICIANS PRESENTLY LOCATED THERE. HE HAS ASKED TO CALL AT USLO BEFORE HE LEAVES, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO BE PREPARED TO TALK TO HIM.

3. WE CHECKED OUR FILES AND FIND WE HAVE LITTLE IN WAY OF ECONOMIC INFORMATION. FOR OUR MEETING WITH BLADBJERG, WE WOULD APPRECIATE BY CABLE ANY DATA, SUCH AS ESTIMATES OF NORTH KOREA'S GNP AND GROWTH RATE, INDUSTRIAL PRIORITIES, PROGRESS OF SEVEN#YEAR PLAN, ETC. IF THE DEPARTMENT IS INTERESTED IN SOME NORTH KOREAN COVERAGE FROM HERE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE OCCASIONALLY RECEIVING SUCH INFORMATION WHICH WE CAN USE AS A TRADE-OFF,  
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AND ALSO GUIDANCE AS TO WHAT QUESTIONS THE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE

US TO ASK.

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